Reducing heavy truck front crash involvement with crash avoidance technology

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IIHS-HLDI mission:

To reduce deaths, injuries and property damage from motor vehicle crashes through **research and evaluation** and through **education** of consumers, policymakers and safety professionals.

Crash tests

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IIHS-HLDI reducing harm

Research



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More Than Half

RESEARCH

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PROGRESS

300x700 ft covered track

main track

600ft runways

offices and conference facility

display hall, labs,

photo studio

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tracks and driveways can be used as 1¼ mile closed loop



Effectiveness of front crash prevention systems on large trucks

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Front crash prevention effectiveness





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Effects on front-to-rear crash rates

Police-reportable crashes



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Effects on relevant crash types

Police-reportable large truck crashes per mile traveled, 2017–19





5%

Warnings and autobrake interventions in relevant crash types Police-reportable large truck crashes, 2017–19



Speed reduction between intervention (warning or autobrake) and impact in front-to-rear crashes

Police-reportable large truck crashes, 2017–19



Driver-attempted avoidance maneuvers in front-to-rear crashes Police-reportable large truck crashes, 2017–19





Effectiveness of front crash prevention systems on passenger vehicles



Medium or heavy trucks struck in

32% of fatal rear-end crashes

Police-reported rear-end crashes

59% occur **48-72** km/h roads

Motorcycles struck in

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of fatal rear-end crashes

Original vehicle-to-vehicle front crash prevention tests

20 km/h and 40 km/h

Relevant to 3% of police-reported rear-end crashes and less than 1% of fatal rear-end crashes in the U.S.



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Updated front crash prevention system evaluation





Front autobrake and reductions in rear-end crashes

IIHS study of more than 160,000 crashes **finds** today's **front autobrake systems are less effective** at reducing rear-end crashes with medium/large **trucks and** with **motorcycles**, compared with other passenger vehicles.







VS.

with medium or heavy trucks



Small SUVs



Small SUV results

Percent of available points for FCW

	Passenger car	Motorcycle	Dry van trailer
All small SUVs	78	48	80
2023 Subaru Forester	100	100	100
2023 Mitsubishi Outlander	100	100	100
2023 Mazda CX-5	100	33	100
2023 Jeep Compass	83	0	100
2023 Honda CR-V	100	83	100
2023 Chevrolet Equinox	100	17	100
2023 Toyota RAV4	100	50	67
2023 Hyundai Tucson	33	33	67
2023 Ford Escape	67	67	67
2023 Volkswagen Taos	0	0	0

Front crash prevention 2.0 performance to-date

Percent of tests with a FCW by crash partner



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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49 CFR Parts 571 and 596

[Docket No. NHTSA-2023-0021]

RIN 2127-AM37

Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards:

Automatic Emergency Braking Systems for Light Vehicles

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This NPRM proposes to adopt a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard to require automatic emergency braking (AEB), including pedestrian AEB (PAEB), systems on light vehicles. An AEB system uses various sensor technologies and sub-systems that work together to detect when the vehicle is in a crash imminent situation, to automatically apply the vehicle brakes if the driver has not done so, or to apply more braking force to supplement the driver's braking. The AEB system proposed in this NPRM would detect and react to an imminent crash with a lead vehicle or pedestrian. This NPRM promotes NHTSA's goal to equip vehicles with AEB and PAEB, and advances DOT's January 2022 National Roadway Safety Strategy that identified requiring AEB, including PAEB technologies, on new passenger vehicles as a key Departmental action to enable safer vehicles. This NPRM also responds to a mandate

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 49 CFR Parts 571 and 596 [Docket No. NHTSA-2023-0023] RIN 2127-AM36 Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration 49 CFR Parts 393 and 396 [Docket No. FMCSA-2022-0171] RIN 2126-AC49 Heavy Vehicle Automatic Emergency Braking;

AEB Test Devices

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT). ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This NPRM proposes to adopt a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) to require automatic emergency braking (AEB) systems on heavy vehicles, i.e., vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds). This notice also proposes to amend FMVSS No. 136 to require nearly all heavy vehicles to have an electronic stability control system that meets the equipment requirements, general system operational capability requirements, and malfunction detection requirements of FMVSS No. 136. An AEB system uses multiple sensor technologies and sub-systems that work together to sense when the vehicle is in a crash imminent situation and automatically applies the vehicle brakes if

Rear underride guard





1997 Institute study of

FATAL CRASHESBETWEEN LARGE TRUCKSAND PASSENGER VEHICLESestimated

UNDERRIDE = 1/2 of these crashes



Truck underride guard ratings

In each test, a midsize car traveling 35 mph crashes into the back of a parked semitrailer. The three test configurations are:



FULL WIDTH The car crashes into the center of the truck's rear



50 PERCENT OVERLAP Half the car's width overlaps the rear of the truck



30 PERCENT OVERLAP Thirty percent of the car's width overlaps the rear of the truck

With rear underride guard

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Award winners



Great Dane	Strick	
Hyundai Translead	Utility	
Kentucky Trailer	Vanguard	
Manac	Wabash	
Stoughton		

Nine North American trailer manufacturers, including the eight largest, have earned our **TOUGH**GUARD award for good rear underride protection on some or all of their trailers.





- Both FCW and AEB on heavy trucks are associated with strong reductions in crash rates
 - While AEB seems most promising, FCW can be added to existing trucks
 - Increasing the use of these technologies in heavy trucks is a major safety opportunity
- IIHS testing to ensure FCP systems in passenger cars can deal with heavy trucks and other nonpassenger vehicles
- Well-designed underride guards that engage partner vehicle structure and protect vulnerable road users can save hundreds of lives annually



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